

REMARKS

In the March 14, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner:

- Rejected claims 14-17, 21, 23, 24 and 26-33 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over King et al. ("*King*", U.S. Pat. No. 5,812,572) in view of Stephenson ("*Stephenson*", U.S. 2002/0027688 A1);
- Allowed claims 1-13, 25 and 34-42; and
- Objected to claims 18-20 and 22 as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but indicated that they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Amendments

Applicants have cancelled rejected claims 17, 18 and 26-33 and amended claim 14. The pending claims are claims 1-13 (allowed), claims 14-16 and 19-24 (some of which were objected to), claims 25 (allowed), and claims 34-42 (allowed), i.e., the pending claims include claims 1-16, 19-25 and 34-42.

Pursuant to the Examiners statement that claims 18-20 and 22 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, Applicants have amended independent claim 14 to include all the limitations of dependent claim 18 and all the limitations of intervening claim 17. Claims 19-24 now depend from amended claim 14. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that claims 14-24 are now in condition for allowance.

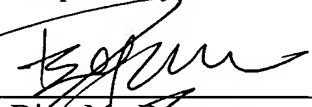
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims 1-16, 19-25 and 34-42 are now in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner believe that the claims are not in condition for allowance, the Applicant encourages the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at 650-843-7519 to deal with any remaining issues.

If there are any fees or credits due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, including any fees required for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, authorization is given to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order No. 060900-0207-US). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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